



Welcome to the June edition of the Charlottetown Amateur Radio Club Newsletter! We'll try to keep you up-to-date with what's happening this month and any future events we're planning or are aware of. This newsletter is automatically distributed to club members, prospective future students who have reached out to us in the last year, and other interested amateur operators in the region. If you do not wish to receive these monthly newsletters, let us know and we can remove you from our distribution list. Alternatively, if you are not included on the mailing list, but would like to receive a copy of our newsletter, please reach out to our secretary.

June Club Meeting - June 4th, Stratford Town Center

June has arrived and with it the most beautiful time of the year. Our next monthly meeting is coming up next Tuesday, June 4th, at 7:00 P.M. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you're a licensed radio operator and would like to become a member, or you're perhaps interested in becoming licensed and would like to find out more about us and the hobby, then please come and join us. We would love to meet you. For anyone who would like to become a member, membership dues are \$30 for 2024 for those who are not currently members of the Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC). For RAC members, it's \$20 for the year. Our students and graduates from the fall 2023 and spring 2024 classes are automatically members of the club. Our meetings run from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. (1900-2100) in the Southport room at the Stratford Town Center on Shakespeare Drive. Alongside monthly club reports we usually enjoy an information exchange. Over the last year, we've learned about a broad range of topics such as alternate power options for radio operations, 3D printing, SDRs, HF antennas in the field, Parks on the Air Activations, contesting, and how to save on custom fees.

Five new hams (so far!)

We have five new hams in our area from the Spring 2024 class, who wrote their exams in the last couple of weeks. They are:

Rod Gallant VY2UA

Courtney Lawson VY2ON

Ryan Townshend VY2YZ

Mike Lafortune TBA

Sam Alhakeem TBA

And our other two students will write their exams when back in town from out-of-country travel. Thanks to all of our instructors and support personnel for another great class!

Fall 2024 class?

We have 7 prospective students for Fall 2024 already, and interest continues to roll in. If you or anyone you know is interested in our next basic radio course, then please reach out to Brent VY2HF or email us at the address at the bottom of this newsletter.

Halifax Flea Market - June 8th, Waverley NS

The Halifax Flea Market will be held on Saturday June 8th at 0800 (sellers) and 1000 (buyers) at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 90, 2234 Rocky Lake Dr, Waverley, NS B2R 1R4. More information is available at the Halifax Amateur Radio Club's Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/event_invite/23M0yn6cb/

ARRL/RAC Field Day - June 22nd-23rd, Wood Islands Lighthouse and Provincial Park

The following stations for Field Day have been confirmed (info and image by Ricardo VY2AN):

- One big station with an antenna on a tower and a brand new FTDX-10 radio, operating SSB on 10m (Darrell VY2OM).
- A second big station, operating SSB on 20m (Doug VY2DS).
- A third station, operating FT8 on 6m (Bill VY2WM).
- A GOTA station to be set up by various club members, including Mike VY2MG, Aaron VY2EK, Tracey VY2TAZ, Micah VY2MIC and Ricardo VY2AN, operating on 15m and 40m.
- Brent VY2HF will be bringing his station to make a satellite contact.

There will be sign up sheets so all club members get a chance to operate these cool stations, plus hopefully help setup and take down. More information to follow.



Charlottetown Flea Market - July 27th, St. Mark's Church, Charlottetown

Mark the date in your calendars! Our second flea market is set to take place on Saturday, July 27th, from 9:00 A.M. (vendors) and 10:00 A.M. (buyers) until 3:00 P.M. at St. Mark's Church, at 7 Tamarac Ave.

There is room for about 15 tables. To reserve a table, please send \$10 in advance to treasurer@charlottetownarc.com.

For everyone else, there is a \$2 admission fee. Coffee and some food will be available.

<https://charlottetownarc.com/?mec-events=charlottetown-arc-flea-market>

Meetings and Events Calendar - June

- 1, 8, 15, 22, 29: Virtual Breakfast 2M nets, 8:00 A.M. (800) on the VE1CRA repeater(s)
- 3: 2M Simplex net, at 8:00 P.M. (2000) on 146.550 MHz, hosted by Joel, VY2KW
- 4: Monthly club meeting
- 5, 12, 19, 26: Wednesday night 2M net at 7:30 P.M. (1930) for new hams, 8:00 P.M. (2000) for regular check-ins, on the VE1CRA repeater(s)
- 6, 13, 20, 27: Thursday night HF nets, on 3727 LSB (+/- QRM) at 8:00 P.M. (2000)
- 8: Halifax Flea Market
- 22-23: Field Day

Future Events

July 1: **RAC Canada Day Contest**

July 6: **Cape Bear Lighthouse 25th Anniversary Event**. Activities and exact times to follow.

July 7-12: **Youth on the Air Camp** in Halifax

July 27: **Charlottetown Flea Market**

July 27-28: **Annual IOTA Contest**

Help Us Out!

Do you have something you would like to contribute to this newsletter? Drop us an email at secretary@charlottetownarc.com.